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The copy of the English translation of the Preliminary Report on Patentability is being submitted for the Examiner's benefit.

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